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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel claims 1-20.

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action of June 8, 2000. An accompanying request for a two month extension of time makes this response timely. In the Office Action of June 8, 2000 claims 1-20 and 53-86 were acted on. By this amendment claims 1-20 are cancelled. Claims 53, 54, 57, 60, 61, 64-68, 71-75 and 78-86 were rejected and the remaining claims (55-56, 58-59, 62-63, 69-70 and 76-77) were objected to but the Office Action indicated they contained allowable subject matter. All rejected claims were rejected on the ONSALE publication under 35 USC 103. For the reasons expressed hereinafter, applicant submits that the ONSALE publication fails to evidence that the subject matter of the rejected claims would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art. Reconsideration and allowance are therefore solicited.